

#249 BOYCE, B.M., Sk, Ex-WØKSP, W6DCH. Handle "Jim".
Born July 19, 1898. First 2-way wireless contact 1910. Occup:
Assistant Command Mars Director, Sixth U.S. Army. Started operations on the air sometime in 1910 with a high frequency buzzer, spark coil, home brew kw transformer, thence to a kw Thordarson, Murdock coupler, long wave coupler for receiving POZ using double filament DeForest audion and breaking it down with a magnet. Operated as 9BW jointly owned station in Omaha on 200 and 375 meters special license. Present station 300 watts CW, AF FSK, and 10 watts AFSK.



#250 ZARTH, William A., Ex-KlKWL. Handle "Bill". Born
December 7, 1898. First 2-way wireless contact 1912. Present
occup: Staff Engineer Machlett Labs., Inc. EE Graduate; 4 yrs.
Yale and Town Mfg. Co.; Chief Electrician Stamford Rolling Mills
at age 21; charge of EE and Refrig. for Southern Dairies 19251935, Washington, D.C.; V.P. Charge of Mfg. and Engineering
Wheeler Electric Mfg., Co. 1944; Director Quality ControlAraidio 8 mos., Stamford; Project and Development Engineering
Machlett Labs Inc., Developing Hi-Power X-ray and XTMR tubes.
Made the first ceramic radio tubes in this country and developed
the first ceramic X-ray tube.



#251 BOOTH, Franklin, W., Ex-K4KOY, Ex-2BVH. Handle "Frank". Born January 24, 1905. First 2-way wireless contact 1915. Retired N.A.S.A. as Aero-Space Technologist in Flight Systems Engineering. First call 2BVH at New Brunswick, N.J. while a Boy Scout. First time on the air in New Brunswick about 1915 with capability of transmission two doors down the street. Very nice set-up as my shack was on the third floor and my friend's shack was in his garage in his back year. Confirmations of reception were by loud voice (non-electronic).



#252 HOFFMAN, W. Hollis, Sk, W2WJ, Ex-3BT, W9WF, W2BEP, W3ECB. Handle "Hollis". Born May 19, 1894. First 2-way wireless contact 1912. Present occup: Retired Electronics Design Engineer. 1912 Amateur Stn. 3BT. 1913-14 Comm. Radio Operator. 1915-1917 Bell Telephone Co. (Wire Chief). 1917-1919 USNR (Radio Electrician). 1920-1924 Navy Dept. (Jr. Engr.). 1924-30 Burgess Lab's (Design and Devl. Engr.). 1930-33 Deforest Radio and Federal Telephone Co. (Transmitter Design). 1933-59 RCA (Transmitter and Computer Power Supply Design). Member IRE since 1918.